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SUBJ: US ARMS CAPTURED IN INDOCHINA

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1. ANORWEGIAN BUSINESSMAN, MR. REIDAR BERGLUND, HAS CONTACTED THE MAAG CONCERNING A PURPORTED OFFER FOR SALE OF THIRTY SIX F-5'S AND OTHER ARMS. BERGLUND SAYS HE HAS BEEN CONTACTED BY A SWEDISH NATIONAL WISHING TO KNOW IF HE IS INTERESTED IN BUYING OR ARRANGING THE SALE OF 36 COMBAT READY F-5A'S (LOCATED IN ASIA, BUT NOT VIETNAM) AT \$3.3 MILLION EACH, 25,000 M-16 RIFLES AT \$200 EACH, CENTURION TANKS, AND RECONDITIONED HALF-TRACKS. BERGLUND'S CONTACTS MAINTAIN SALE IS A "CLEAN SALE" BUT WANT DEPOSIT PUT IN SWISS BANK (TO BE NAMED LATER) AS "EARNEST MONEY" BEFORE PROVIDING HIM SERIAL OR REGISTRATION NUMBERS. SOURCES PROMISED TO ALLOW MR. BERGLUND TO INSPECT THE AIRCRAFT AFTER HE DEPOSITS THAT "EARNEST MONEY." MR. BERGLUND SAYS HE IS WILLING TO COOPERATE IN OBTAINING ADDITIONAL INFO IF DESIRED.
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